

Student has own view of JFK's death

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Gary R. Schoener, graduate student in clinical psychology at the University of Minnesota and a self-proclaimed critic of the Warren commission, told a group of Worthington residents Saturday the investigation into the death of President John Kennedy should be reopened.

SCHOENER HAS made it a hobby of his to investigate the circumstances surrounding the assassination in Dallas. In this, he said he is associated with 25 other investigators from all parts of the country and has worked at times with James Garrison, controversial New Orleans district attorney who has said he has evidence of a conspiracy involving more than one New Orleans person in the planning of the deed.

Schoener was invited to Worthington by Dr. George Erickson who heard him speak in the Twin Cities earlier. Dr. Erickson asked several of his friends to hear Schoener's presentation.

Schoener declared there were in his opinion no less than six gunmen in Dealey Plaza the day of the assassination. He said two were on the sixth floor of the Texas Book Depository, one on the roof, another on the roof of a building across the street, and two on an elevated knoll near the railroad overpass from which a commanding view of the street where Kennedy's car was passing could be had.

He showed pictures taken by photographers at the time which prove according to his calculations, that the bullet which killed the President came from the right front rather than from the rear which is where the Warren Commission investigation concluded it had been fired by Lee Harvey Oswald.

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THE WARREN Commission concluded Oswald planned and carried out the slaying alone. Schoener declared there is considerable doubt that Oswald himself was involved. He related that Oswald was seen by a police officer and an official of the Texas Book Depository company sitting in the lunchroom on the second floor minutes after the shooting. He said the only way Oswald could have arrived there was to have come down a stairway which, Schoener said, was in full view of several witnesses during this time.

Schoener went on to declare that the Warren Commission's conclusion that one bullet fired from the rear of the President's car struck Kennedy in the neck and, after going on through, also struck and wounded Texas Governor John Connally was erroneous. He said the trajectory for this to occur was impossible and went on to say that a bullet found in Parkland Hospital and claimed to have been the one which wounded both men was not likely to have done so since it was undamaged.

On the other hand, he put forth no proof that this particular bullet, which was found to have been fired from a rifle owned by Oswald, was in fact the bullet which wounded Kennedy and Connally.

After presenting a large amount of random information concerning the shooting, Schoener said in his opinion the death was the result of a conspiracy involving several men who were agents or former agents of the Central Intelligence Agency. He declared the case should be reopened and asked his listeners to exert pressure on their congressmen toward this end.